# 2012 PERSONAL USE DEAD POST/POLE CUTTING REGULATIONS NORTH KAIBAB RANGER DISTRICT

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The North Kaibab Ranger District has not yet implemented its travel management plan. Permittees are allowed to travel off-road to gather dead post & poles in accordance with the current district post & pole map. The North Kaibab Ranger District expects to implement **travel management rules** later this fall, 2012. The rules for post & pole collection may change, at which time new maps and handouts will be available. If you have any questions, please contact the District office by phone at 928-643-7395 or visit us at 430 S. Main Street in Fredonia, Arizona (open 8 am-4:30pm M-F). Our post & pole collection rules and maps can also be found at our Kaibab National Forest website found at: www.fs.usda.gov/main/kaibab/passes-permits/forestproducts

ONLY DEAD trees may be cut for post/pole collection.

HEAVY EQUIPMENT (Tractors, skidders, forklifts, or track driven machinery) IS <u>NOT</u> ALLOWED for skidding or loading.

WINCHING MAY BE USED to drag post/pole pieces 10 inches or less in diameter on the large end to vehicle.

All post/pole permits will be a minimum \$20 charge.

The MAXIMUM personal use post/pole purchase amount is \$300 per permit.

Posts/poles (pine/spruce/fir/aspen) vary in price depending on length and diameter of pole.

Each permit can consist of a variety of pole sizes and/or species, but purchaser must know what is desired prior to obtaining the permit.

PACK IT IN PACK IT OUT Please remove all trash!!! Help Keep our Forest Beautiful!!!

Permittees are required to protect Condors by ensuring no garbage, toxic materials or open fluid containers are accessible in the open. If Condors are seen, please do not interact with them and immediately contact the North Kaibab Ranger District at (928) 643-7395 to let the District Biologist know when and where the Condors were sited.

### **Fire Precautions**

Power saws must have a muffler in good condition and be equipped with a stainless steel screen (spark arrestor) with a maximum opening of .23 inch. Keep your shovel and fire extinguisher available at all times.

Never set a hot power saw on dry flammable materials. Place it on bare ground, a rock or a tree stump.

Prior to starting saw, move it at least 10 feet away from where it was fueled and away from gasoline vapors.

Remain in the area at least 30 minutes after you have completed cutting, to insure that a stray spark from your saw has not started a fire.

If you start a warming and/or cooking fire, please extinguish it completely with water before you leave.

## **Size and Species**

Standing dead tree diameters are measured at Diameter at Breast Height (DBH), which is defined as the Diameter of a tree 4 ½ feet above the ground. If you are on a slope, this is 4 ½ feet above the ground on the uphill side.

A standing dead Ponderosa Pine, Fir, Spruce or Aspen that has a stem size less than 12 inches DBH may be cut regardless of the tree height in order to salvage post/pole material.

A standing dead Ponderosa Pine, Fir, or Spruce which has a total height less than 15 feet may be cut regardless of the stem size (DBH).

A standing dead Pinyon Pine which has a stem size less than 10 inches DBH may be cut regardless of height.

A dead Pinyon Pine that has a total height less than 12 feet may be cut regardless of stem size (DBH).

If permit is for dead juniper posts, a standing dead Juniper may be cut of any height or DBH.

- If you are not certain of height or stem size of a standing dead tree, Do Not Cut the Tree.
- Dead Standing trees are very valuable for wildlife & the Forest Ecosystem.

Down wood already on the ground and/or dead standing wood meeting the above section's species and size specifications may be cut with the exception that NO post or pole cutting or gathering within the following areas:

- Dead Horse Timber Sale (formally Dry Park TS)
- Ryan 1 Green Pinyon & Juniper free use permit area
- Warm Fire areas shown shaded on current post and pole map.
- Kanab Creek and Saddle Mountain Wilderness areas
- Pedio cactus habitat
- Uneven-aged study area (on FR22)

## SEE ATTACHED MAP for most of the restricted no cutting or gathering areas listed above.

Other restricted no cutting or gathering areas NOT shown on the map include: other study areas; Campgrounds; Communication Sites and/or Administrative Sites.

Additional unforeseen restricted no cutting no gathering areas and/or periods may occur on the district due to environmental conditions such as, but not limited to: **high fire danger; planned or unplanned fire ignitions; etc.** Please check with the North Kaibab District Office for current restriction information at 928-643-7395.

Vehicles MUST NOT be driven off roads when such travel will result in damage to soil or vegetation (for example when conditions are wet and muddy).

No wood may be cut where it would result in damage to any improvements such as buildings, fences, roads, power lines, etc.

#### **Measuring Post/Poles**

Dead pine, spruce, fir, juniper or aspen posts and/or poles are measured by length and diameter. A post or pole has 3 diameters to consider: top diameter, bottom diameter and mid point diameter. Diameter is

measured in inches and length is measured in feet. Permits will define: number of post/poles, length of posts/poles, MID-point diameter of post/poles, and species of poles (pine/spruce/fir or aspen or juniper).

If a Forest Officer or Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) checks your permit, they will be looking to see that you have the correct number, length, and midpoint diameter and species of post/poles in possession, comparing it with the permit.

REMEMBER: MID-point diameter of post/poles is entered on permit and you are given a 1 inch plus or minus lee way on diameter selection for pine/spruce/fir and aspen. The length, species, and number of post/poles should match permit. Dead juniper posts are the only exception, and are sold by the piece, with no midpoint diameter considerations. Juniper grows short with a lot of taper so typically unsuitable for poles, but they do make good fence posts.

Therefore customer must buy at least 80 dead juniper posts (80 posts x \$.25 ea. = \$20.00) to reach the \$20 minimum, unless they are also buying poles on same permit with total value of posts and poles being at least \$20 and not over \$300.

#### **Document Wood Removal**

Please remember to record your post/pole re	moval details on the permit in INK.
I have read the 2012 post/pole cutting reg terms and conditions of this permit.	ulations herein. I understand and agree to the
Signature of Permittee	

PLEASE HELP PROTECT OUR RESOURCES!
BE SAFE AND ENJOY YOUR POST/POLE GATHERING EXPERIENCE!



## NORTH KAIBAB RD 2012 DEAD PER PIECE PRICE TABLE (PINE/SPRUCE/FIR/ASPEN)

LARGE END DIAMETER (Inches)	AVERAGE MID POINT DIAMETER (Inches)	SMALL END DIAMETER (Inches)	LENGTH IN FEET	PRICE PER POLE	VOLUME PER POLE in CCF to enter into TIM	Number of Poles to make at least \$20	Price closest to \$20 min.	Associated Volume to report to for closest \$20 min.
6	6	5	5	\$.10	.01 ccf	200	\$20.00	2.00CCF
6	6	5	6	\$.10	.01 ccf	200	\$20.00	2.00CCF
6	6	5	8	\$.10	.01 ccf	200	\$20.00	2.00CCF
6	6	5	10	\$.20	.02 ccf	100	\$20.00	2.00CCF
6	5	4	12	\$.20	.02 ccf	100	\$20.00	2.00CCF
6	5	4	14	\$.20	.02 ccf	100	\$20.00	2.00CCF
6	5	4	16	\$.20	.02 ccf	100	\$20.00	2.00CCF
8	8	7	5	\$.20	.02 ccf	100	\$20.00	2.00CCF
8	8	7	6	\$.20	.02 ccf	100	\$20.00	2.00CCF
8	8	7	8	\$.20	.02 ccf	100	\$20.00	2.00CCF
8	8	7	10	<b>\$.30</b>	.03 ccf	67	\$20.10	2.01 CCF
8	7	6	12	<b>\$.30</b>	.03 ccf	67	\$20.10	2.01 CCF
8	7	6	14	<b>\$.40</b>	.04 ccf	50	\$20.00	2.00CCF
8	7	6	16	\$.40	.04 ccf	50	\$20.00	2.00CCF
8	7	6	18	\$.50	.05 ccf	40	\$20.00	2.00CCF
8	7	5	20	\$.50	.05 ccf	40	\$20.00	2.00CCF
10	9	9	5	\$.20	.02 ccf	100	\$20.00	2.00CCF
10	9	9	6	\$.30	.03 ccf	67	\$20.10	2.01 CCF
10	9	9	8	\$.40	.04 ccf	50	\$20.00	2.00CCF
10	9	9	10	\$.50	.05 ccf	40	\$20.00	2.00CCF
10	9	8	12	\$.50	.05 ccf	40	\$20.00	2.00CCF
10	9	8	14	\$.60	.06 ccf	34	\$20.40	2.04 CCF
10	9	8	16	\$.70	.07 ccf	29	\$20.30	2.03 CCF
10	9	8	18	\$.80	.08 ccf	25	\$20.00	2.00CCF
10	8	7	20	\$.80	.08 ccf	25	\$20.00	2.00CCF

Dead Juniper Posts are set at a flat \$ .25 each.